

⁸¹181. (Added) The method according to claim ⁶¹161, further including adjusting the intensity of the beam to the minimum necessary for ablation.

⁸²182. (Added) The method according to claim ⁶²162, further including adjusting the intensity of the beam to the minimum necessary for ablation.

⁸³183. (Added) The method according to claim ⁶³163, further including adjusting the intensity of the beam to the minimum necessary for ablation.

⁸⁴184. (Added) The method according to claim ⁶⁴164, further including adjusting the intensity of the beam to the minimum necessary for ablation.

REMARKS

The present application is a CIP of US Application 09/210,226 filed 12/11/1998, now issued as US 6,333,485.

Present claims 101-105 and 108-154 correspond to claim 1-5 and 8-54 of US RE 37585 which is a Reissue of US 6,656,186. These reissued claims recite in regard to a pulse of a laser beam "directing said pulse [or "one or more pulses"] to a point at or beneath the surface". Present claims 101-105 and 108-154 recite in regard to a pulse of a laser beam "directing said pulse [or "one or more pluses"] to a point above the surface".


Since the present application includes the entire teaching of US RE 37585, the present application has support for claims 101-105 and 108-154 for the same reason that there is support for claims 1-5 and 8-54 of US RE 37585. Support for added claims 6, 7 and 155-184 is found throughout the present application in particular in original claims 1-100.

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All of the claims of the parent patent, US 5,656,186, of US RE 37585 recited language of the type "focusing said beam [or "pulses"] to a point at or beneath the surface". The claims of the parent patent, US 6,333,485, of the present application included claims essentially same as the claims of US 5,656,186 except for reciting language of this type "focusing said beam [or "pulses"] to a point above said surface".

Claims 101-105 and 108-154 of the present application are patentable over US RE 37585 for the same reason that the claims of the parent patent (US 6,333,485) of the present application were found patentable over the parent patent (US 5,656,186) to US RE 37585.

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